FISCAL NOTE

SB 2334 - HB 2915

February 4, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts from taxable payroll, for unemployment insurance purposes, wages paid by an employer to an employee who is injured and entitled to workers' compensation benefits, if the injured worker is unable to return to work for at least 60 days.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact - Decrease Revenues - \$1,330/Unemployment Trust Fund

Estimate assumes:

- the maximum premiums lost per worker would be \$700 a year (10.0% maximum rate X \$7,000 wage base). The average premiums lost per worker would be \$133 a year (1.9% average 2002 rate x \$7,000 wage base).
- If there were 10 such employees a year, based on the average premium rate for 2002, and assuming each employee made \$7,000 or more during a calendar year, the decrease in annual revenue to the Trust Fund would be \$1,330.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director